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In re U.S. Patent Application of)
FIORAVANTI)
Application Number: To Be Assigned)
Filed: Concurrently Herewith)
For: BICYCLE WHEEL, PARTICULARLY FOR RACING)
AND MOUNTAIN BICYCLE)
Attorney Docket No. KIRS.0017)

**Honorable Assistant Commissioner
for Patents
Washington, D.C. 20231**

PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT

Sir:

Applicants have amended the claims in order to eliminate the multiple dependent claims in accordance with standard U.S. practice. Prior to an examination on the merits, please amend the above-identified application as follows: